

City of Taylor
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting
Wednesday, June 24, 2026
Doris Roznovak Aquatic Center
Taylor, Texas 76574
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Buddy Michna
Patrick Tate
Jennifer Jewett
Sheri Poll
Stacy Olsen

ABSENT

David Campise
April Green
Giovanni Martinez

OTHERS PRESENT

Betsy Schultz, Parks Director
Lisa Buzan, Parks Office Coord
Curtis Fields, Parks Maint Supv
Matt Topham, Rec Coord

The meeting was called to order by Stacy Olsen at 6:01 pm and declared a quorum.

Invocation – Patrick Tate

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by All.

Citizens Communications

None

Agenda Item 1 - Approve Minutes from the meeting on May 20, 2026

Motion: Jennifer Jewett motioned to accept the minutes as presented.

Second: Patrick Tate

Vote: All voted aye.

Minutes are approved as presented.

Agenda Item 2 – Directors Report

Parks and Recreation Assistant Director, Betsy Schultz presented the Directors Report & slideshow.
No action taken on this item.

Maintenance Highlights

- Thank you for switching days
- Torn shade structure #3 at Taylor Regional Park replaced
- Another torn shade structure #1 is being turned into insurance due to storm for replacement.
- New windscreens installed at Tennis Courts
- Tennis Courts 1 & 2 resurfaced with new court benches
- Replaced basketball nets at Mallard & Murphy courts
- Removed split railing fencing at Robinson Park
- A lot of downed limbs
- Trimmed and raised canopies of trees at Robinson Park
- Robinson Park splash pad restarted after a lot of maintenance issues
- Prepped mini golf course for "Celebrity" Golf tournament
- Trimmed tree near Rotary Park sign
- Cleaned up brush along third base line at Mallard ballfield
- Power washed outside of Dickey-Givens Community Center
- Removed downed tree limbs from multiple storms
- Large dead tree (maybe 40 ft tall) removed in Murphy Park near entrance
- May was a very busy month for us

- Attendance at TRP is at its highest
- May 23 & June 6 weekend tournaments were rained out entirely
- Upcoming Tournaments in June
 - June 27 & 28– NCS Fastpitch Softball (10 fields)
 - July 11 & 12 – NCS Fastpitch & 5 Tool Baseball

2025 Parks Improvement Project

- Murphy Park –
 - Revegetate sidewalk and pickleball areas
 - Installation of water fountain
 - Cross walk signage
- Bull Branch –
 - “Duck” fencing installed
 - Restroom completion this week
 - No Mirrors
 - LED Lights are on a timer
 - Water fountain installed
 - Will order new vandal resistant toilet paper holders
- Substantial completion walkthrough
- Bull Branch Pavilion is now available for rentals

Doris Roznovak Aquatic Center – Grand Opening

- Grand Opening – May 23
- First weekend with over 1000 patrons
- Averaged 485 patrons in the month of May
- Total of 4372 patrons in the month of May – first 9 days of operation
- Swim lessons and water aerobics began first week of June
- Feedback received has been positive
- Requests for morning lap swim and/or adult only time
- Pool Pass Sales (30-Admission)
 - May 50
 - June 32
- Pool Revenue YTD through May is \$18,223
- Maintenance Issues
 - Closed early one day due to filtration issue
 - Troubleshooting problems with electrical and filter

Miniature Golf Update

- Friends of the Parks Foundation taking donations for new turf on each hole, shade structures, improved lighting, concrete improvements and other improvements as needed
- \$50,000 set aside in 2024 Bond to assist in renovating the course
- “Celebrity” Golf Tournament – June 13
- \$10,000 donation from HDR Engineering
- Part of July 4th event – promoting Friends of the Park Foundation

Girl Scout Hut

- Central Texas Girls Scouts notified City they no longer want to use the hut in Murphy Park
- Agreement between the City and Girls Scouts since 1950s
- Termination of agreement sent to Girl Scouts; awaiting response
- Possible location for rentals or long-term rentals

Duck Management & Education Program

- Wildernex Wildlife Control visited Bull Branch & Murphy Parks twice a month
- Total of over 115 eggs oiled all in Murphy Park
- Two private residences requested for inspection of ducks
- Door hangers placed on residences for education

Agenda Item 3 – Master Plan Updates

2016 Parks Master Plan

- Langford Community Management Services
- An online and hard copy citizen input survey
- Two public meetings & survey
- An updated review and inventory of current park amenities

2020 Parks Master Plan

- Halff Engineering Services
- Adopted by Council in 2021
- Included Parks Operations Master Plan
- Impacted by COVID
- The plan only included Robinson Park, Bull Branch Park, Murphy Park
- All parks were not included

Master Plan – Next Steps

- New Master Plan needed
- Focus on entire park system and future park lands
- Pocket Parks
- Create Park Standards
- Reprioritize and identify possible future projects
- Focus on community input (surveys, meetings, etc.)
- Former Dickey-Givens Community Center rebuild discussion

Master Plan – Request for Qualifications

- Develop RFQ for presentation to Council in late summer/early fall
- \$250,000 set aside in 2024 Parks Bond
- Pools are not cheap to operate
- Focus on Wellness

Agenda Item 4 - Programs & Events Update

Prior & Current Events & Programs

- Summer Kick-Off Movie at Heritage Square Park – Zootopia 2 on May 29th
- Summer in the Park, Tuesdays & Thursdays at 7pm from June 9 to July 30th
- Fire Truck Spray Down at Robinson Park on June 9th
- Free Mini Golf on Mondays at Murphy Park at 9am
- Free Movies at Dickey Givens Community with Good Life Taylor at 1pm

- Summer Fitness Schedule includes Water Aerobics, Pilates, Yoga, Butts n Guts, & Senior Fit
- Water Aerobics is **very** popular with 5 classes per week.
- Free Arts & Crafts at Memorial Fieldhouse at 1pm
- Free Street Hockey Clinics at Murphy Basketball Court June 2nd & June 4th
- Free Football Clinics at Memorial Field were held on June 9th & June 11th
- Free Tennis Clinic at Murphy Tennis Courts on June 18th (June 16th rained out)
- Free Pickleball Clinics at Murphy Pickleball Courts on June 3rd & 10th
- Free Soccer Clinics at Memorial Field on June 23rd & 25th

Upcoming Events & Activities

- Murphy Park Cleanup with Samsung - July 1st at 8:30am
- Movie in the Park - The Iron Giant – July 10
- 2nd Fire Truck Spray Down at Summer in the Park – July 14
- National Ice Cream Day – July 18
- National Watermelon Day – August 1
- Back 2 School Bash – August 14

Agenda Item 5 – Identify items for next meeting

- July 9th Parks & Recreation Month Proclamation

Agenda Item 7 - Next meeting date:

Next meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2026, at the Dickey Givens Community Center @6pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm



Stacy Olsen, Chairwoman

David Campise, Vice Chairman